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BLAST FURNACES RESUME OPERATION4TH BLAST FURNACE RESTORED -- Baksinskiy Rabochiy, No 93, 14 May 49

Blast furnace No 2, the fourth to be restored in the Metallurgical Plant imeni Voroshilov in Voroshilovgrad has been rebuilt. The restoration of the blast-furnace shop is now complete.

OPEN-HEARTH FURNACE STARTS OPERATION -- Zabaykal'skiy Rabochiy, No 85, 1 May 49

Capital repairs were completed on open-hearth furnace No 2 of the Petrovsk-Zabaykal'skiy Metallurgical Plant 2½ days ahead of schedule. The furnace was put into operation on 29 April and during May, will be operated at a high-speed rate which will speed the norm for smelting by one hour.

CHITA STEEL WORKERS EXCEEDED QUOTA -- Zabaykal'skiy Rabochiy, No 67, 6 Apr 49

Steel workers in the Petrovsk-Zabaykal'skiy Metallurgical Plant, Chita Oblast, fulfilled the first-quarter plan 110 percent and increased steel output 40 percent over the first quarter 1948. All workers in the open-hearth shop exceeded their norms, which had been increased 27 percent over February. Average labor productivity in the shop reached 113 percent of the plan. For every ton of steel produced, workers saved 70 kilograms of iron, one kilogram of ferromanganese, 17 kilograms of limestone, etc.

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